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An inside look into how women on campus learned to protect themselves from sexual assault, A7

THIS WEEK

CAMPUS

Wrestling Club

The Northwest Wrestling Club is sending seven wrestlers to the National Collegiate Wrestling Association National Championships, taking place today at Hampton University in Virginia.

The newly established club began practicing in September, and began competition in November.

Education Expo

Education majors and school districts have been invited to this year's Education Expo, taking place from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. this Wednesday in Bearcat Arena.

The career fair gives Northwest students a chance to have school districts look over their resumes and offer them insight into possible job opportunities.

Baobab speaker

George O. Kegode will be speaking about the baobab tree and its importance in Malawi, at 2 p.m. tomorrow in Room 111 of Valk Agriculture Professions Center.

The event is open to the public.

For more information, contact gkegode@nwmissouri.edu or 660.562.1126.

COMMUNITY

Buckle up

The Coalition for Roadway Safety in Missouri has dedicated the rest of the month to the "Get Your Buckle On" campaign.

The campaign's main goal is to inform teens of why wearing a seatbelt is beneficial.

According to the campaign's Web site, 38 percent of teens do not wear seatbelts.

The program is set to last from March 15 to March 31.

BEARCATS

Friday

-Men's Tennis vs. Cameron (Okla.), 12 p.m. at Rockhurst.
-Baseball at Fort Hays State, 2 p.m. in Hays, Kan.
-Track and Field at NCAA Indoor Championships in Albuquerque, N.M.

Saturday

Men's and Women's Tennis vs. Missouri-St. Louis, 10 a.m. at home
-Baseball at Fort Hays State, 1 p.m. in Hays, Kan.
-Softball vs. Central Missouri, 2 p.m. in St. Joseph, Mo.
-Softball vs. Upper Iowa, 4 p.m. in St. Joseph, Mo.
-Track and Field at NCAA Indoor Championships in Albuquerque, N.M.

Sunday

-Men's and Women's Tennis vs. Drury, 11 a.m. at home
-Softball vs. Lewis, 12 p.m. in St. Joseph, Mo.
-Baseball at Fort Hays State, 1 p.m. in Hays, Kan.
-Softball vs. Washburn, 2 p.m. in St. Joseph, Mo.
-Women's Tennis vs. Nebraska-Kearney, 3 p.m. at home

Tuesday

-Baseball at Nebraska-Kearney, 1 p.m. in Kearney, Neb.
-Softball vs. Wayne State, 1 p.m. at Bearcat Field
-Men's and Women's Tennis vs. Missouri-Kansas City, 3 p.m. at home

RIISING COSTS



FEES ALL AROUND

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Fees proposed to increase tuition, room, board next year

By Matthew Leimkuehler
Chief Reporter

For students, the 2010 fall trimester will bring the return of the reigning National Champion football team, warmer weather, new classes and the possible addition of fees added to their tuition, room and board.

The Northwest Board of Regents is going to vote on a proposed 9 percent increase of room prices and 5 percent increase of board prices at

their next meeting on March 16, according to the Director of Auxiliary Services Mark Hetzler. Student Senate also voted on three fees that will add to tuition last Tuesday, which will all reach the board before the end of the semester. The three fees include a readership fee that will make it possible to keep newspapers on campus, an increase to the technology fee and an increase to the textbook fee, according to Anthony Mittan, Vice President of Student

Senate.

The only fee to pass through the senate was the readership fee, although the debate did stir quite a large amount of controversy among our student representatives.

"There was good discussion, which is what every topic should consist of," Mittan said. "There were a lot of people who were for the fees and a lot of people who were against. Each of their arguments was very legitimate."

The action of Student Senate voting on the fees has no consequential reaction to your wallet; the Board of Regents has the final say in which fees will impact your bill next semester.

"Student Senate's vote doesn't pass the fees yes or no, it is either we approve of them or we don't," Mittan said. "Even if we didn't approve of them or we don't, they can still increase."

See **FALL 2010** on **A5**

Increases:

Current cost of tuition*... **\$2,360.85**

Current cost of room and board... **\$2,292**

Room and board with 9 percent increase... **\$2,498**

Current Regular Aladine fee... **\$3,704**

Aladine with 5 percent increase... **\$3,889.20**

*for 15 credit hours in state

NORTHWEST LEADERSHIP TEAM

Major budget cuts planned for next year

By Philip Gruenwald
Chief Reporter

The Northwest Leadership team has mapped out a bevy of creative programs to curtail the losses from the upcoming state budget decreases. As described in last week's Missourian [There's No Place Like Northwest], plans are in place and cuts are underway. However, the 5.2 percent appropriations cut for fiscal year '10-'11 pales with the projected cut of an additional five to 25 percent for the following fiscal year.

President John Jasinski and Vice President of Marketing and University Relations Tim McMahon preach

"We will not just survive through this. We will thrive, because you, as a student, deserve it. Our faculty and staff, our town, our community, our region and our state deserve that out of this institution. We'll address it head-on through reality, and we'll do it through those proven strengths of innovation. And we will execute."

-President John Jasinski

the saving gospel of the NLT. That unknown expanse of 20 percentage points is a black abyss on Northwest's horizon, and it's unavoidable.

But, as Jasinski will point out, it's something Northwest can and will get through.

"In layman's terms, we're looking at probably a projected minimum of \$3.8 million cut in the next 15 months, or two fiscal years, and as much as \$10 million," Jasinski said. "We just have to plan for those scenarios."

These gloomy figures stem from Missouri state legislators balancing their statewide checkbook. Put simply, the weak economy has made overall funding a rare commodity.

"The stimulus money will be gone because other federal costs that didn't occur this year will be back, so it will be a kind of double

whammy," McMahon said.

Jasinski suggests a comprehensive, University-wide introspection to analyze Northwest's strengths and weaknesses. Successful programs will continue to receive funding. Weaker programs may get the ax.

"Higher education is like any other organization out there, where you really have to step back and say, 'can we really be all things to all people?' And the answer is no," Jasinski said. "Some organizations aren't ready to say no. We are."

Strange, since Jasinski's polity is one of saying "yes." Yes to communication,

See **BUDGET** on **A5**

DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATIONS

Special offering teaches students to utilize social media

By Matthew Leimkuehler
Chief Reporter

The professors of the Department of Mass Communications are constantly looking for ways to better prepare their students for an always-changing job market. Assistant professor Jody Strauch's social media strategies course is new to Wells Hall this trimester, and is making a lasting impact on the department's students.

The class is a special offering elective, and is based around building a social media plan for real-life clients, according to Strauch. The students are working with three different clients: The Arthritis Foundation, The Angus Association and Team Office. The class's main goal is to work as

groups and develop a social media plan for the company they are assigned.

Strauch created the course with intentions of the students covering all aspects of social media while working with their clients.

"We've gone through the semester developing a social media plan, everything from going out and seeing what's currently being said in the social networking area about their company," Strauch said. "For example: what's currently out there about them on Facebook, Twitter and any of the forums."

The class is unique in the sense that the students actually practice writing social media messages, including tweets and Facebook messages.

Strauch found that the



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SOCIAL MEDIA INSTRUCTOR Jody Strauch helps students during her Tuesday night class in Wells Hall. Social Media is a new course this trimester, and is a class designed for helping students plan for real-life clients.

development of the class was rather difficult, as social networking is a recently developed form of media and there aren't many classes available on the topic.

"I did a lot of research online to find classes that

were taught in social media and most of them are more theory based," Strauch said. "There weren't a lot of business application type of classes."

See **SOCIAL MEDIA** on **A5**

BOARD OF REGENTS

Appointed regent now waiting on senate vote



Joseph B. Bosse

By Cassie Thomas
Chief Reporter

Gov. Jay Nixon has appointed Joseph B. Bosse (R) of St. Louis to the Northwest Board of Regents. Bosse's appointment must first be confirmed by Senate before it can become official.

If his appointment is confirmed, Bosse will fill the vacant seat that was left by Don Schneider, whose term expired in January 2009.

Bosse's appointment brings the number of regents sitting on the board up to total.

"We are very glad that the Governor has made a selection to bring the board to a full board," Bill Loch, president of the Board of Regents, said. "I look forward to working with Mr. Bosse and helping him further develop Northwest Missouri State University."

Bosse, a Northwest alumnus, looks forward to becoming involved with Northwest.

"It's a privilege and an honor to help serve North-

See **BOSSE** on **A5**

ENCORE

Popular Broadway show sold out on campus

By Cassie Thomas
Chief Reporter

Live theater brings another level of entertainment and Northwest students are fortunate to have the opportunity to attend a Broadway show on campus at a much cheaper rate than regular on-tour productions.

Hairspray was brought to campus as this year’s well-known Broadway musical by the Encore Performing Arts series.

Director of campus activities, Angel McAdams, believes that it is important that students get the opportunity to attend shows like Hairspray at the lowest possible price.

“In the past, we’ve had to charge students for all of our shows. This year we only charged students for Hairspray,” McAdams said. “This year, for students to

sit in the orchestra section it was only 10 dollars, you cannot go anywhere, to any major city, and see a Broadway for only 10 dollars.”

A group of faculty gathered in the spring semester to determine what would be brought to campus as a part of the Encore series this year. In order to choose the shows for the entire series, the committee consulted booking agents and companies to find out what shows would be in the area and were a good deal.

“We try to bring in one Broadway to be the big show of the season,” McAdams said.

The committee also considers what shows are going to be a good deal overall to bring to campus.

“We try to look at, especially with our Broadway shows, shows that will be sell outs for us, that will really get people excited about coming to the theatre, about

coming out to the performance,” McAdams said. “Hairspray, given its popularity with the movie a few years ago, and just the renewed interest in it, we couldn’t pass up on having it on campus.”

McAdams often asks for the input of Nicole Jay, a student employee in the office of campus activities, on shows that she would recommend the faculty group look into.

“I think of shows that I’ve enjoyed seeing and shows I think other students on campus would enjoy as well,” Jay said.

The programs offered in the Encore series bring new opportunities and experiences to campus for students. Jay believes that this is an important element of these events.

“They bring culture and diversity to the campus by bringing shows that not many people get the



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HAIRSPRAY’S LEAD TRACY Turnblad, played by Danielle Arci, is wheeled around stage on a stoop during the song “Good Morning, Baltimore”. Hairspray played at the Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts on Tuesday night.

chance to go see,” Jay said.

Hairspray proved to be a good choice for the Encore series; tickets were sold out shortly after going on sale in early February.

GREEK WEEK

Annual celebration of Greek Life promotes unity through 5K charity race, other activities

By Austin Buckner
News Editor

Greek Week is an annual event filled with a number of games, activities and charity events designed to promote positive relationships between the University’s fraternities and sororities, as well as promoting Greek Life as a whole.

“(Greek Week) is an opportunity to get to know another fraternity that you don’t normally work with or a sorority you don’t normally work with either,” Greek Week co-chair Julie Ray said. “This year, we actually had the historically African American

organizations join Greek Week for the first time ever. That consists of three organizations which are Zeta Phi Beta, Delta Sigma Theta and Alpha Phi Alpha.”

In addition to promoting Greek unity, Greek Week co-chair Brandon Clark said the event is a chance to pull the large number of Greek organizations at Northwest together for a common good.

“We try and get (Greek Week) to where we can not only have fun with it and go out and be active, but we also try to do some community service and raise some money for different philanthropy events,” Clark said. “This year

we did a five kilometer race for the relief efforts in Haiti. We’re really trying to make a push to do more stuff in the community and to benefit different areas.”

The 5K charity race kicked off this year’s Greek Week event on Saturday morning. The Olympiad took place Sunday night, an Olympic-inspired competition between organizations that showed the debut of the Chariot race this year. Rec night took the stage on Monday evening and included games such as ping pong, tug of war, dodge ball and knock out. No Greek Week events were scheduled for Tuesday, thanks to a sold-

out showing of the musical Hairspray. Wednesday featured the Zeus and Hara competition, Greek Week’s version of a king and queen contest. The week of activities will wrap up with an awards ceremony at 10 a.m. Sunday morning at Bearcat Arena.

One event that has become a highlight of Greek Week in past years is Greek Song. Clark said the activity was left out of this year’s Greek Week event due to a misinterpretation of Greek Song in recent years.

“The Greek Song competition had really started to get away from what our goal for Greek Week was, which was Greek unity,” Clark said.

“Before, chapters would come write a song, and they were required to have each organization included in their song. In theory, it was a good idea because we told them they had to be positive and it reflected our Greek unity theme. It had kind of gotten away from that, and for the past few years had become just a big ‘my fraternity is going to bash your fraternity’ or vice versa. After that, we met with our Greek Life advisor and reevaluated what our goals were for Greek Week, and so that’s why we decided to do away with Greek Song.”

All in all, Ray believes Greek Week 2010 has done a

great job in working toward the event’s mission to unite Northwest’s Greek organizations and promote Greek Life.

“The mission and the purpose of Greek Week is to bring together organizations to share experiences. I think a lot of people who aren’t Greek look at it as a party or something that’s stereotypical like what you see on TV,” Ray said. “Greek Week is something that definitely promotes our image as well. Having Greeks come together as a whole, with events such as the 5K race, shows how much we really want to give back and help other organizations.”

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Missouri state law bans texting while driving for all ages

By Emily DeMarea
Missourian Reporter

Last August, the Missouri legislature passed a bill making it illegal for all drivers who are 21 and under to text while driving. The penalty for the recent law is a fine of \$200.

On Dec. 1, 2009, Missouri Representatives J.C. Kuessner and Linda Fischer filed a house bill, which would expand the age of affected motorist.

Kuessener said he believes it is important for all drivers to stop sending, reading or writing texts or electronic messages from a cell phone while driving a car. He said the new bill prohibits anyone, regardless of age, from these activities.

“However, the provisions of the bill will not apply to a person operating a motor vehicle on a private or public gravel road or an authorized emergency vehicle,” Kuessner said.

Some students find the

original ban discretionary.

“I feel that they should remove the age limit, because a lot of older adults cannot operate their cell phones to attempt texting and driving,” junior Brittany Colbert said.

Other students both agree and disagree on the new law.

“I think it’s a good decision to revise the law because the majority of drivers are horrible anyway, and texting is merely a catalyst for the problem,” junior Aaron Smithmier said. “I guess you can say I’m torn. On one hand, I think it’s good for the state on a whole. On the other hand, I’d hate to get a ticket for it when I think I can text just fine.”

Other students feel like the new law would be a good idea but difficult to enforce.

“It’s a good idea, but I don’t see how they will be able to enforce it,” Candio said. “The only way I could see this actually working out

is if the cops notice swerving or other irregular behavior on the road, and when the cop breathalyzes the driver, the driver ends up showing they’re sober,” Candio continued. “Other than that, I don’t know how officers can prove that a person has been texting while driving.”

Thirteen representatives are co-sponsoring the new bill. Representative Rodney Schad feels like the current bill is a problem for Missouri roads.

“I’m all about public safety and personal freedom, both,” Schad said.

Another supporter and co-sponsor for the bill, Representative Mary Still, agrees with Schad on the issue.

“It’s not only yourself you’re putting in danger (when drivers text while driving),” Still said, “You’re putting everybody else on the road in danger. So I think it’s an important piece of legislation. And when technology changes, we need to keep up and make appropriate changes in our lives.”



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NORTHWEST STUDENT, MEGAN Hogrefe sits outside of her dorm to take a minute to text message a friend before going to class. Students and citizens of Missouri will be doing a lot more texting outside of their vehicles due to the new law which prohibits everyone from texting while driving regardless of their age.

Missouri Bill filed on December 1, 2009 outlawing all texting while driving will not apply to private roads or emergency vehicles.

2010 CENSUS

Debated rule may transform Nodaway County district lines

By Trey Williams
Asst. News Editor

A new rule concerning the 2010 Census may affect Nodaway County’s political power for years to come.

Lately there has been much debate surrounding changing the way inmates are counted in the census.

Currently, as it stands, the rule demands that inmates be counted in the prisons where they are being held. Under the new rule however, inmates

would be counted in the cities or towns where they were arrested, tried, or where they lived prior to their incarceration.

The reason this has been a much-debated topic is due to the fact that people like Maryville Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Luke Reven believe it is an all around bad idea.

“It will greatly affect the balance of power of rural and urban communities,” Reven said.

What he is referring

to is how it will affect the redistricting of rural and urban counties.

Every ten years, after the census has been counted, the government then redraws district lines.

If the inmates in Nodaway County are no longer considered residents, then the districts lines will change considerably and in turn affect how Nodaway County is represented in the House.

He isn’t sure how this new rule, if implemented,

“They use our water, our sewer systems and roads when they travel so they are residents of Nodaway County.”

-Luke Reven, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce

Nodaway County would lose that part of its population to other counties. To Reven, this is not the way to go about counting inmates.

“They use our water, our sewer systems and roads when they travel,” Reven said. “So they are residents of Nodaway County.”

According to Reven, all the census of 2010 cares about is where someone is on April 1, and these inmates are in Nodaway County.

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OUR VIEW

Proposed legislation sends message to public

Over the past few years, many states have seen an increase in legislation prohibiting the use of cell phones while driving, text messaging in particular. Missouri is among these states attempting to decrease fatal instances resulting from distracted driving. Although the ban started with drivers 21 and under, all Missouri residents might be subjected to the same provision. However, we must question the necessity of these laws.

First and foremost, we

are not encouraging distracted driving, nor are we encouraging people to text while driving. Of course there are safety hazards here, just like with any distraction—talking to passengers, yelling at screaming kids in the backseat, fumbling with the radio, eating, drinking and the list could go on forever. While driving, one’s full attention should be concentrated on the road. This is a no-brainer. But can this be enforced?

While a ban that encom-

passes all citizens of a state would be easier to enforce (differentiating a 20-year-old from a 23-year-old from a distance would probably be a hard distinction to make), the ban itself won’t be a simple walk in the park for police officers. However, even if enforcement is unlikely, the issue of enforcement itself really isn’t that big of an issue at all.

Like non-governmental campaigns, the major thing that this legislation is accomplishing is awareness.

Having a law against an individual act alone is saying something to the public, similar to that of seat belts. It’s a statement saying that the government does not approve, nor should they approve.

Sending text messages while driving is a dumb thing for a person to do. Averting one’s gaze from the road even for a minute is not safe when a driver is responsible for at least two tons traveling at fast speeds. A person might not worry

about his or her life, but a person must worry about the safety of others.

The conflict between the state and the individual is an old dispute. The government has the primary duty of protecting its citizens (even from careless driving), while still giving the individual some semblance of liberty. Liberty is defined not only by laws protecting the individual rights, but also recognizing and respecting the realm of individual life where government does

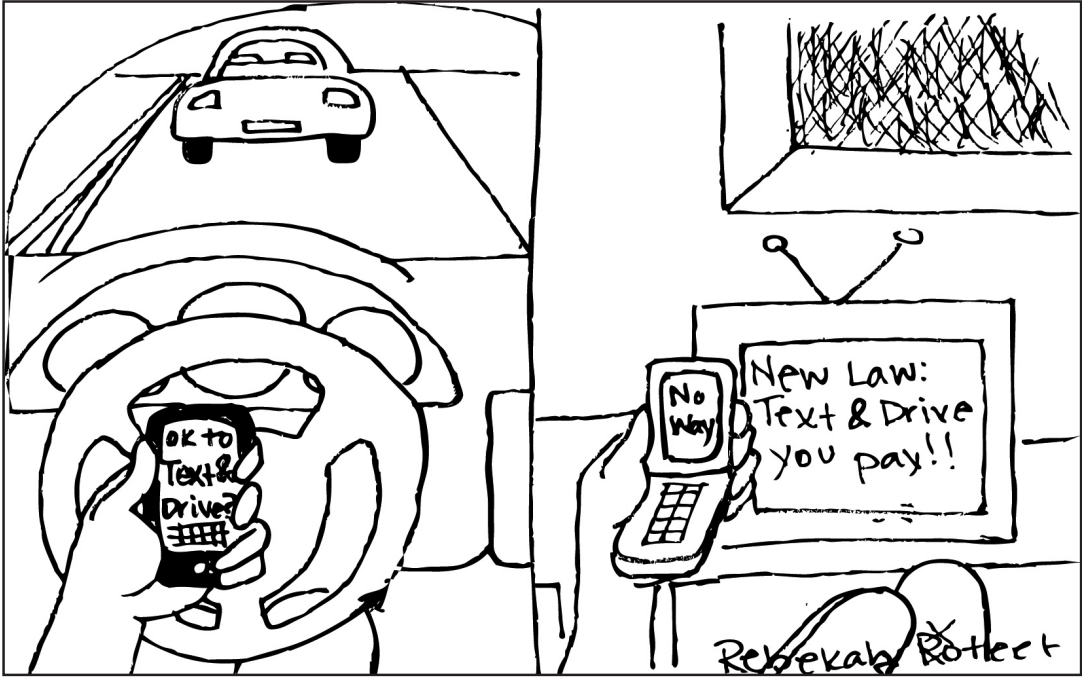
not belong. This proposed legislation to ban sent text messages while behind the wheel does not cross the line of that realm.

Even if some people view this as silly legislation, there is no unnecessary harm that comes to the individual as a direct result, and the benefits do outweigh the inconvenience of actually putting down the phone. After all, the convenience of swift and lazy communication is not worth the price of innocent lives.

WHAT THE DEUCE

The role of women in the United States military is a well-known debate. And it’s about to get even more heated. According to the Associated Press, the Pentagon is pushing for women in the Navy to have the right to serve on submarines. Although women have been able to serve on ships since 1993, the right to full military service is still unknown even in the midst of international conflict. The main argument that prevented service on submarines resided in quarters that were too small, which might lead to problems between men and women. But if changes were made to the submarines and Congress pushes it through, women could possibly know greater rights in serving their country within the next couple of years.

CARTOON



MY VIEW

Our world must seek cultural rapprochement

Our country has seen the dawning of the age of globalization. We have witnessed its rapid growth and development through various technological outlets. However, the resulting byproduct of such global endeavors is international interdependency.

The states of the world are intertwined and knotted together with economic and political threads. Each state depends upon the other for imports and exports, aid, as well as order and defense. One nation’s problem certainly affects the others, especially in a generation marked by its global insecurity.

While the primary interest is of course in the political issues, we can see one overlapping theme—cultural differences in each region and particular political unit. From Iraq, Israel, Sudan, Sri Lanka, China and yes, even the Untied States, the major underlying issue within any system is the difference of the multiple peoples and cultures of the world. However, we still have not breached these wounds that cause such disparity.

The United Nations has called 2010 the year for international



Kathleen Wilmes
Opinion Editor

cultural rapprochement. We can see what a difficult feat it is to re-establish the relations between cultures, the very misunderstandings that cause so much international conflict. But it is not impossible, and it is a necessary goal to work towards when we are living in an age of global interdependency. However, reaching the understanding that leads to peace is easier said than done.

We must understand that war is not the immediate reaction to civil discontent. There are multiple warning signs. There are several cultures that beg to have their voices heard in peaceful manners before violence is issued as a last resort. The bloody battlefields of war were originally meant to be courts of justice when justice could not be met through diplomatic means. Designating 2010 as the year for international cultural rapprochement is one of many means to carry out the purpose of the Untied Nations’ foundation itself, peace.

We must understand every person and every culture wants the same fundamental things— life, simple prosperity, basic necessities, free movement, equality, justice

and liberty. The United States, as a member state of the U.N., is obligated to help with building sturdy bridges to connect these great chasms. The various compacts of the world demand this. But how do we carry out this seemingly impossible feat? The U.N. lists many examples, but three are vital.

First, teaching the youth of the world every side of conflict would result in a deeper understanding of the underlying issues that lead to many disputes.

Second, states of the world should not only be allowing the free movement of people, but encouraging an international swapping of sorts. Encourage people to visit or be educated in foreign lands. We can all study the differences of people. But until an individual witnesses the day-to-day life of another, understanding cannot be gained.

Third, promote the various arts that shed light to the common person that exists in every culture.

For international interdependency to work, we must ease the strain of conflict. Even though the world will always know cultural differences, if the world concentrates on a more holistic vision, at least conflict can be decreased.

MY VIEW

U.S. should re-examine Middle Eastern situation

The stability of the Middle East has long been on the minds of foreign affairs policy makers in the West, considering the region’s wealth of oil reserves. Our Western economies are driven by petroleum, and it’s in our

collective interest to make sure Middle Eastern states are stable enough to continue selling their resource at reasonable prices. In return, oil-rich countries enjoy an influx of Western currency.

For the United States, this meant supporting peaceful measures among neutral and pro-American states, marginalizing states that held anti-American sentiments and sometimes playing weapons dealer to both sides of a conflict. The goal was to not tip the scales.

President Jimmy Carter played the role of mediator between Egypt and Israel for the Camp David Accords, which amounted to the U.S. paying both states to stop fighting. Presidents Reagan and Bush Sr. worked to maintain a stalemate between Iran and Iraq, which included arming both during the Iran-Iraq War. President Clinton facilitated the Oslo Accords, which was meant to foster an end to the Arab-Israeli conflict. President George W. Bush advocated liberalizing the politics and economies of the Middle East, in order to bring internal stability through representative government. Operation Iraqi Freedom was intended

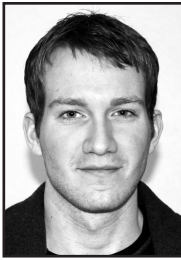
to bring a despotic regime to an end. However, it also eliminated the status quo in that region of the Middle East.

With Iraq under occupation, Iran was able to spread its influence. Anti-American and Islamic fundamentalist groups grew in size and political power, most notably in Iraq, Lebanon, Palestine and Syria.

“Foreign Affairs” writer Gregory Gause III notes in his article “The Return of the Old Middle East” that in balance of power politics, influence among regional states is the name of the game. The powerful states compete for influence over the weaker states and gauge success by the dominance of their political orientation.

Iran has grown in regional influence, tipping the scales in its favor. Ties between Iran and Syria have strengthened, according to Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad and Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, who had met in February. Both were adamant in rejecting U.S. influence. Last December, President al-Assad had met with Lebanese Prime Minister Saad Hariri to discuss cooperation in trade and inter-state relations.

Such alliances move against the balance of power the U.S. had been trying to reinforce for half a century. Is it time to reassess the Middle Eastern situation, or continue butting heads with a stronger Iranian-led alliance?



Adam Folken
Contributing Columnist

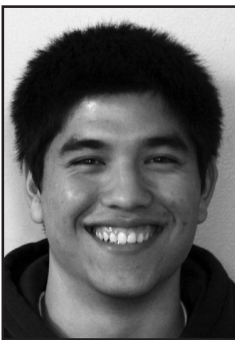
CAMPUSTALK

Do you think women should serve on Navy submarines?



“Yes. Why wouldn’t they? Women should have equal opportunity and get the same privileges as men.”

Hayley Adams
Psychology/Sociology



“It’s good in the sense that it promotes equality, and it could be bad because they are women on a submarine full of men with a lack of privacy. Overall, I think it’s a good thing.”

Kent Obico
Elementary Education



“Yes, they should be treated equally. Women are involved in everything else that has to do with the military. Why restrict them from submarines?”

Liz O'Malley
Undecided



“I feel like it doesn’t make a difference really. If they have the same skill set as a man that would serve, I see no reason they shouldn’t be allowed to.”

William Quinn
Psychology



“I personally see no serious issues that would arise with women serving on submarines. Seamen are trained to act their best, and I can only see them acting their best with women aboard.”

Matt Meier
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FALL 2010: Representatives spark heated discussion on fees

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It is just saying students don't support it."

The reason for the heated discussion within the senate is due to the representatives actually going out and finding out how the students felt on the topics, according to Mittan.

"I thought they had represented [each side] well," said Mittan. "They had talked to people about it. People actually went out and discussed it."

Student Senate President Erin Holm was pleased with her fellow senators and the research they did prior to Tuesday's meeting.

"People really did ask their friends, the people on their floor, the people they have in classes," said Holm. "I'm proud how everyone expressed not only their own feelings, but that of the other students and tried to represent them well."

A room and board price increase will take place next semester, yet the exact amount has not yet been decided by Residential Life and the Board of Regents. Proposed is a 9 percent increase on room and a 5 percent increase on board, according to Hetzler. He claims there are many justifiable reasons as to why the price will increase for the upcoming fall trimester, including the increase in electrical, gas, water, and sewer bills.

"We pay in mass amounts. Some of it is just totally out of our control," Hetzler said. "Last year we also held our rates very low, we only did a 3 percent increase, because of that, we've also got some debt we've put on hold."

Hetzler and the Residential Life staff had the student resident in mind when holding the rates lower these past semesters.

"We knew as bad as the economy was, we wanted to keep those rates as low as possible," Hetzler said. "The economy's still not great, but it is making some recovery. We don't have a choice, we can't hold off those loans any longer."

Residential Life Director Rose Viau concludes that many little costs have also helped bring about the increase.

"Even costs of supplies

when we fix things, like a light bulb, anything like that," Viau said. "Even little things like that went up."

Even when prices have to be increased, Residential Life looks for ways to cut costs to keep them as low as possible.

"We go through every budget and say 'okay, can we cut a little here, because we need it here.' We are trying to keep control of those costs as much as possible," Hetzler said.

Hetzler feels as though the rate increase is a necessary evil to keep life in the residential halls the best it can possibly be.

"The rate increase allows us to continue to provide the excellent programs we provide," Hetzler said. "It helps the institutions by having those quality programs because then the students have a great residential experience and they want to stay at Northwest."

As a student, Holm understands the reason for the raise of prices all across the board.

"If you think about all the amenities our University has, we don't pay much for books; we are given a laptop with tech support and everything that probably would cost you a lot more if you were to purchase it on your own," Holm said. "It's kind of a double edge sword to me. Yeah, it is money out of your pocket, but when you think about the big picture, in the long run, how much money are you saving?"

Mittan does not show an opposition to the fees, but a worry that his money is in the right hands.

"What it comes down to for me is, obviously, with changing economic and financial conditions, it would be nice to be more transparent with what our fees are being used for. Like, we know it's a technology fee, but what specifically does that mean?"

Hetzler is apathetic towards the rise in prices and emphasizes he is only doing his job.

"We don't want to raise rates, ever," Hetzler said. "It's just a reactionary to what's going in the world. It makes us just as ill as the student that has to pay, to ask you to pay more. We know that money's tight everywhere."

BUDGET: Projected minimum 5 percent cuts in next 15 months

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collaboration and cohesion through meeting after meeting. The NLT has been meeting more frequently than their original weekly scheduling to make sure everyone on campus is represented, voting 'yes,' before moving forward.

"What is really happening and why we're doing this advanced planning is because you can only make these decisions financially when you understand the organization, and you can only understand the organization by creating dialogue," McMahon said. "What the President is trying to do is

bring in these viewpoints to help us identify our mission more clearly, and to identify which folks are really attracting attention and doing those things. Those are the things we want to grow."

Of particular interest are initiatives that simply cannot be put off until later. Called "deferred maintenance programs," Jasinski and McMahon plan to complete these via student and staff volunteers.

"It may be as simple as planting a garden, refurbishing a piece of equipment or something students might be totally capable of doing and want to do," McMahon said. "It's like adopting a piece of

the highway and cleaning it up. We may use this place, but it's our home and we all have a responsibility."

This communal, familial perspective fosters that target team mentality necessary for Jasinski's saving plan. He stresses that Northwest's fate hasn't been handed to one person or one team *carte blanche*. Through hard work and constant communication, the NLT plans to take that five to 25 percent financial hit in stride.

"It's not about reducing some expenditure," McMahon said. "It's about reaching and understanding what this University is, where it attracts its vitality, where its growth

is going to come from, and where the people in this place that are really doing the work are going to find their continued energy."

The NLT's "can-do" attitude has been superseded by "will-do" and "is-doing" attitudes. Procrastination breeds panic, and planning yields progress. Here is a leadership team not content to make campus-wide cuts and simply survive.

"We'll knock something out of the park for next year and we'll be a role model for our friends and neighbors across this great country because they'll say 'what is going on at Northwest Missouri State'" Jasinski said.

SOCIAL MEDIA: Class discusses networking methods

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Senior Cody Ward is finding great use in the class to prepare him for the future.

"I actually want to go into social media after I graduate so it's kind of helping reinforce skills and gain new knowledge," Ward said.

The challenges these students face are different than those most students face in their day-to-day class schedule, along with the challenge comes better preparation for the job market that soon waits.

"It's going to look great in their portfolio because there are a lot of social media jobs out there right now," Strauch said. "The difference is media as we know it is talking at somebody, where social networking is talking with somebody. It's harder because you can't control the conversation, you can't control what's being said."

Strauch also faced challenges in creating the class, which took her roughly nine months to a year to compose before it could be offered.

"There's no text book out there. A lot of it is just determination," Strauch said.

Social media is affecting the job market greatly for today's mass media majors, according to Ward.

"It's affecting it positively, it's a free alternative to advertising," Ward said. "You can get a personal one-on-one connection with customers."

Ward would suggest the course to students in the future, claiming it would help them gain more knowledge about the field.

The future of the course is not set in stone, yet Strauch hopes to make the Social Media Planning course a smaller class that works with clients. She also hopes to offer a larger, broader course that covers the theories of social media.

BOSSE: Alumnus completes board

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west Missouri State however I can. As an alumnus, I look forward to working with the President and others on the board," Bosse said.

Bosse graduated from Northwest in 1972 with a bachelor's degree in personnel management. He received his MBA, with a specialization in finance, from

St. Louis University. He has been President of NEC Insurance, Inc. since 1977.

Bosse has been appointed by the Governor for a term ending Jan. 1, 2016.

The board of nine members, including a non-voting student regent, serves as a governing body for Northwest; all members are appointed by the Governor.

OBITUARY

Doris Marjorie Wiley
1920-2010

Doris Marjorie Wiley 89, Maryville, Mo., died Sun., March 7, 2010 at Heartland Regional Medical Center, St. Joseph, Mo.

She was born Dec. 21, 1920 in Pickering, Mo., the daughter of Ernest and Martha (Wilson) Swinford. Doris graduated from Maryville High School in 1938. She married Chester Cyril Wiley May 14, 1939 in Troy, Kan..

Wiley was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Maryville. She had retired from Nodaway Drug Store, Maryville.

She was preceded in death by her husband: Chester Wiley (October 24, 1990), her parents; a brother, Kenneth Swinford and sisters: Margaret

Woods, Mary Keith and Barbara Jean Howery.

Survivors include her son: Michael (Mitzie) Wiley, Gallatin, Mo.; three grandsons: Scott (Sommer) Wiley, Ashland, Mo.; Bob Wiley, St. Joseph, and Vince Wiley, Gallatin; three great-grandchildren, Samuel. Sofia and Shannon Wiley; a brother: Jack Swinford, Maryville and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation is 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Thurs., March 11, 2010 at Price Funeral Home, Maryville, Mo., with Funeral Services following at 2 p.m.

Burial will be in Nodaway Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Maryville, Missouri.

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Living the Latvia Life



By Austin Buckner
News Editor
Photos courtesy Bill Richardson

Imagine packing your belongings and moving yourself and your family to a foreign country. The language is different. The cultures and customs are different. One Northwest professor has done just that.

Associate professor of music Bill Richardson was the recipient of the Fulbright Program “brass-specific” award for the 2009 – 2010 academic year. Thanks to this accomplishment, Richardson was provided the opportunity to teach at the Jazeps Vitols Latvian Academy of Music in Riga, Latvia.

“I am teaching trumpet lessons and brass chamber at the JVLMA,” Richardson said. “In addition to students at the music academy, I am teaching students at the Jazeps Medins Music College,

a preparatory school for the music academy. For creative activity, I play flugelhorn in the Latvian Brass Band and trumpet in the JVLMA Brass Ensemble and a local professional group, Brass.lv. I recently played principal trumpet for the JVLMA Symphony Concert.”

The capitol city of Latvia, Riga, has a population of over 700,000; nearly 70 times the size of Maryville. In addition to the transition from English to Latvian and Russian, Richardson said transitioning from a rural lifestyle to a big city lifestyle has also been a challenge, but the people of Riga have helped immensely.

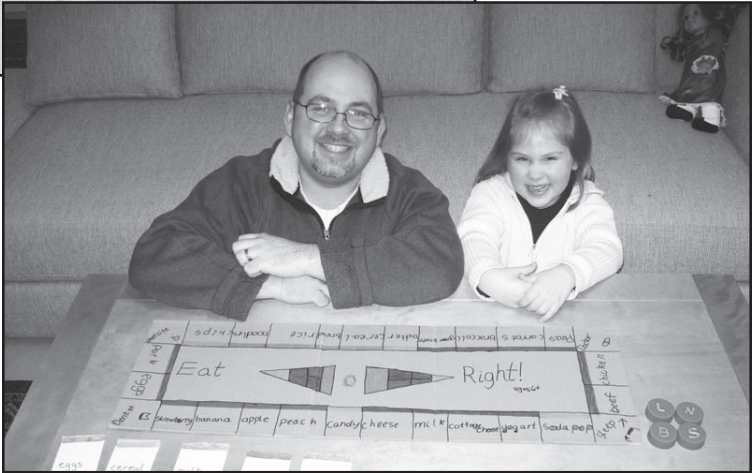
“We’re adjusting to big city life,” Richardson said. “The people here are very friendly and helpful though, and the students are great to work with, just like at Northwest.”

Another adjustment Richardson, his wife Niki and daughters

Sarah and Leah made to their everyday lives was a change in living conditions, mainly the change from a spacious home to a smaller apartment, and a change in electrical codes. Electrical voltage in the United States is normally 120 volts, whereas electrical voltage in Europe, including Latvia, is normally 220 volts.

“We’re living in a very nice apartment right next to the music academy,” Richardson said. “Although it’s not nearly as spacious as our house in Maryville, we have many of the same appliances - just apartment-sized. We’ve had to adjust to the electricity a bit, but a new hair-dryer/curling iron that handles 220 (volts) doesn’t break the bank. I’ve been preoccupied making sure we don’t fry the computer, however.”

While the country may not have been a top contender in the medal count, Richardson said the 2010



Olympic Games in Vancouver were just as big in Latvia as the U.S. One of the smaller countries that competed, Latvia sent 57 athletes to this year’s games; compared to the 216 sent by the U.S. However, Richardson said the Latvians did leave the Olympics with some success.

“Although hockey is big here, Latvia was placed in the toughest bracket in the Olympics, so they had a rough go,” Richardson said. “On the other hand, Martins Dukurs won a silver medal in skeleton and brother Andris and Juris Sics won

silver in doubles luge.”

The Richardson family arrived in Latvia on Jan. 7 and will return to the U.S. in mid-June. Richardson said his time in Latvia thus far has been a great opportunity to teach, as well as be taught.

“So far the most important thing we’ve learned is that people from very different backgrounds share so many similarities,” Richardson said. “This has been a great opportunity to exchange ideas, meet new people and gain a different perspective of the world.”

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RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSE SYSTEMS

JENNIFER LE FIGHTS the grasp of the Sergeant Dru Burns in a self defense simulation. Le attended the week-long course in preparation of the real-life threats of sexual assault.

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ALY DUNCAN STRUGGLES with her attacker in the R.A.D. scenario. Kyser finished the course knowing the different kicks and punches to take out an assailant.

Self defense class prepares Northwest women for the worst

By Brittany Keithley
Design Editor

Terror, tension and angry bel-lows echo through the walls as fifteen women fight for their lives. Five days of training gave them the skills, courage and strength to take a stand when many don't know how.

University Police brings the Rape Aggression Defense Systems to campus every semester to help equip women who feel defenseless. R.A.D. gives women the confidence and techniques to stand their ground in an attack.

Officer Kristina Martinez and Sergeant Dru Burns have instructed the course for the past three years in hope of lowering the percentage of assaults on campus.

"The environment we are in is being aware. If they are aware it makes them one thousand times less likely to be attacked," Burns

said.

Women must be aware of not only their surroundings, but the cold truth that one in four college women will be the victim of a sexual assault.

Junior Samantha Kyser chose not to be an easy target for predators.

"If you act like a victim, chances are good that you will become a victim."

Laura C. Martin

Kyser said.

The training course worked progressively through different

scenarios of risk awareness, risk reduction, risk recognition and risk avoidance. These different

strategies test safety at home, while traveling, and dating can lower the already statistically significant chances of being selected as a

target.

When awareness and avoidance aren't enough, then resistance comes into play. A cautious stance, voicing your endangerment and select strikes are each key in making an escape.

The combination of a strike to the throat, eye gouge, knee to the groin and hyper extending a knee may be all you need for that escape. Martinez and Burns held nothing back in teaching the different

defenses to make any combination possible.

"Progressively, we teach the class to be aware. As the course progresses, the situations get more dangerous," Martinez said.

Each scenario led up to the final fight, in which Burns and certified R.A.D. aggressor Sean Wiedmaier

suit up in protective suits to attack each woman.

An innocent walk in the park turned into a beat-down session as Burns and Wiedmaier taunted, cornered and took down their targets.

Sarah Creason, a preschool teacher and mother of two, never let her guard down as she entered the simulation. Her protective gear was ripped off as she took out both assailants with various strikes and kicks.

"I feel more confident. Doing something is better than doing nothing, and the training helps with what to do," Creason said.

Burns and Martinez offered an empowering course that brought options and confidence to each of its participants. Participants she hopes will be fighting back in the future.

"I hope they walk away a winner and not a victim," Martinez said.

Top 2 picks

By Erin Colasacco
Missourian Reporter

On the big screen: Not that any female needs another excuse to admire Robert Pattinson, but if you're interested in seeing him as a non-vampire, check out the March 12 release of "Remember Me." The movie follows Pattinson as a rebellious young man in New York City as he struggles to find someone to understand him and his strained relationship with his father.

Pattinson's character finds solace in Ally (Emilie de Ravin). Through their relationship, he begins to find happiness and peace again. However, he soon finds out that the very things that brought them together will tear them apart.

"Remember Me" is highly recommended for anyone who wants an uplifting story about strong family relationships, passionate love and living each day like it is your last.

Take a listen: For fans of the Michigan based rock band, The White Stripes, get ready for the March 16 release of their new live album, "Under Great White Northern Lights."

In 2007, the duo took a tour of the greater part of North America and Canada. They documented the music and interaction between the band. These moments of no-nonsense music and witty banter will make this album a must-listen.

The new CD includes live versions of their songs throughout the years, playing some new songs but also including fan favorites.

STROLLER

Your Man has heard enough

It seemed like it would never happen, but Maryville is finally shedding its thick blanket of snow. It's emerging from the frigid depths of winter like one of those crazy people who jump into Colden Pond for charity.

Since spring is all about renewal, I think it's time Northwest got a makeover. I don't mean a physical makeover. Those things are expensive, and we can barely afford to fill potholes these days.

Besides, in the last few years, this campus has had more work done than Madonna and the entire Jackson family combined. With a few exceptions (mostly the art building and the high rises), it's a pretty nice-looking place.

No, we have a major issue that's simpler and cheaper to fix. Our ugliness comes in the form of noise pollution, and its plagued this campus for years.

It's that "music" the bell tower plays whenever I'm late for class. It sounds like third graders randomly striking bells they made themselves in metal shop (if third graders were allowed in metal shop).

It's the auditory equivalent of those depressing motivational posters you see in office buildings. What's worse, they take well-known songs and rehash them into deformed, out-of-tune mutations of themselves.

If it's really necessary that we pretend there are actual bells in the "bell" tower, would



The Stroller

it kill them to play AC/DC's "Hell's Bells" once or twice a week?

At the very least, can we get some real recordings of decent music that won't make me want to hop into Colden Pond myself, with something heavy tied to my feet? Hint: a little Bach never hurt anybody.

If the powers that be won't take the necessary steps to correct this blight on our campus, it'll be up to us. I hereby vow that if things don't change by the time I graduate, I'll lock myself in the control room with my iPod one day, ala Tim Robbins in "Shawshank Redemption" and see what those bells...sorry, speakers...can do.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of *The Northwest Missourian*.

AT YOUR LEISURE

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle
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REVIEW

Sci-fi thriller remake won't make moviegoers go 'crazy'



By Isaac Freeman
Missourian Reporter

"The Crazies" is a remake of a 1973 sci-fi thriller. The only difference between the movies is the setting. The '73 version is set in Evan's City, Penn., while the 2010 version is set in Ogden Marsh, Iowa.

The setting is important because both of these towns are farming towns. The main

reason for the townspeople's insanity was the water. Something happened that infected the water and anyone who drank it was transformed into a blood thirsty maniac.

In a movie like this though, there has to be a hero, that man was sheriff David Dutton played by Timothy Olyphant. Dutton and his wife Judy (Radha Mitchell), who was the town's doctor and two

other uninfected people try to stay alive and escape the town before they are killed by the "Crazies," or the military who sealed off the town from the rest of the state.

There was a plane carrying nuclear materials that crashed into the town's main body of water which also happened to be their only way of receiving water. Once the United States government

found out where their plane crashed, they moved in with the military who had orders to wipe out the population because they didn't know who was infected and who was normal.

If you like sci-fi movies, this may not be the one for you. There was a lot of killing and bloodshed, though, for those of you who like those elements in your movies.

Olyphant played the hero role extremely well. His character controlled his group of "normal" people like a quarterback would control an offense. Mitchell was the supporting wife that stood by her man even when they were against the world and his ideas seemed crazy. She was there through it all and displayed the values of a good wife.



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COLUMN

Out with the snow, in with the Boys in Blue

By Tony Botts
Comm. Sports Editor

For the last two weeks, I have had to resort to peering out my window at the mountains of melting snow and slush as a source of entertainment. Snow has turned to rain, but the warming temperatures are not enough for this deprived sports fan. With an unfulfilled void left by the absence of football and the impatient wait for the return of my beloved baseball, winters seem drearier every year. Valentine’s Day is a special time of year for me, especially due to the fact that pitchers and catchers ship off to the warm climates of Florida and Arizona,

shortly followed by their remaining teammates. Baseball fans everywhere are teased by the thoughts of players escaping the icy cold grips of Mother Nature to begin their preparation for the grueling season to come. While the Kansas City Royals make Surprise, Ariz., their temporary home until the season opener, I am left with the nostalgia of everything that is what makes baseball America’s true past time. The memories of tailgating and soaking in the warm summer rays while stadium anthems play loud over the speaker systems slowly flooding back into my memory. The return of baseball is almost as joyful for me as Christmas day is for millions of chil-

dren around the world. Even though my Royals are not the New York Yankees or Boston Red Sox by any means, I, along with the rest of the Royals fans, have many reasons to be optimistic for this much anticipated spring. Possibly the brightest and best reason, if any, to be optimistic for the ‘Boys in Blue’ this summer is reigning Cy Young pitcher Zack Greinke. The man is the most dominating pitcher in Major League Baseball under the age of 30. His stuff is beyond electrifying and all of baseball finally knows it. I look forward to watching Greinke pile up the K’s all summer long against baffled American League sluggers. Behind a pitching staff with

high expectations going into this season, Royals’ fans are going to be relying on a young lineup to supply the fireworks all summer. Billy Butler is going to be the powerhouse in the middle of the lineup, while Mike Aviles will hopefully return after being injured all of last year, and exceed the numbers he posted in his breakout rookie year. Even after a season with little to be optimistic about, besides Greinke’s Cy Young season and Butler’s breakout performance, this Royal fan sure is excited. Maybe it comes with being a powder blue supporter, but no matter where they finished in last season’s standing, we can always hope that this will finally be the year we win it all just like ‘85.

SPORTS STAFF GAME PICKS

Brian “The Bulldog’s” picks
Prediction record (4-12)
Big East Tourney Champ
Pittsburgh
Well since everyone else thinks Syracuse is the team, I guess I’ll be the odd man out. Pitt was one of the teams to beat last season, and they return much of the same roster. So I’m just going out on a limb here. Let’s go Panthers.
Big 12 Tourney Champ
Nebraska
Let’s be honest with each other here. Any team that only has two conference wins is obviously hiding something. The Huskers are on a mission as the Big 12 Tournament begins. Or are they just that bad?

Jason’s Picks
Prediction record (9-7)
Big East Tourney Champ
Syracuse
The Orange are the class of the conference and will prove it. They’re potentially a No. 1 seed still, so they have something to play for. They’ll get it together for the NCAA tourney.
Big 12 Tourney Champ
Kansas Jayhawks
The regular season champs keep on rolling in the Big 12 Tournament. Every other Big 12 team, with the possible exception of K-State, doesn’t stand a chance. Forget the Oklahoma State upset. The Jayhawks will take what is rightfully theirs. Rock Chalk!

Tony’s Picks
Prediction record (7-9)
Big East Tourney Champ
Syracuse
This really is not a tough call. The East is weak and filled with numerous pretenders. ‘Cuse has been the only team in the East worth watching and having faith in. With a few minor slipups, the Orange should bring home this title rather easily.
Big 12 Tourney Champ
Kansas State
KSU’s side of the bracket favors them far better than KU’s. The Jayhawks will have to go through a pesky A&M team, or possibly a revenge-seeking Mizzou team. K-State will benefit from KU’s emotionally drained hangover in the title game.

Kevin’s Picks
Prediction record (3-4)
Big East Tourney Champ
Syracuse
Syracuse have been performing time in and time out this season, and will not disappoint this year in the Big East Tournament. The Big East is by far the most stacked conference.
Big 12 Tourney Champ
Kansas
As one of the Mizzou faithful, it pains me to say this, but with Aldrich and the Morris twins controlling the paint and Collins and Morningstar dominating the perimeter, no one will stop them in the Big 12 and probably not in the big dance.

AROUND THE CAMPUS

What are you doing to get ready for March Madness?



“I love scoping out all the teams, and then watching the games then playing them on the ol’ Xbox.”

Chris Kennedy
Computer Science



“March Madness is amazing. I love filling out brackets and following the games. Go Mizzou.”

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GIRLS' BASKETBALL

SENIOR EMILY KISKER goes up for a layup in the 42 - 39 win against St. Joseph Benton last Thursday. Kisker scored six points in the victory.



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'Hounds claim second straight district title

By Tony Botts
Comm. Sports Editor

Maryville was able to avoid a potential season-ending surprise Friday night to start the Class 3 District 16 Championship game. Tipping off against conference foe Bishop LeBlond, the 'Hounds stumbled out of the gate, and fell behind the Golden Eagles 11-4 early in the first quarter. "We came out and let them get off to a hot start," head coach Grant Hagemen said. "Some of it was to their credit. They came out and punched us right in the mouth. We were a little bit shell-shocked. I thought early on we were caught up in the moment. It's good that we rebounded." At the close of the quarter, LeBlond was in the driv-

er's seat 15-8. It would be the last quarter they would hold the lead in. The 'Hounds exploded for 20 second-quarter points while limiting the Golden Eagles offense to a mere nine points to finish out the first half. By the time the final seconds had run off the clock, the 'Hounds had clinched their second consecutive district title with a convincing 68-52 win. Nearly half of the 'Hounds 68 points came from behind the arc with the team hitting 10 threes, five coming from senior Meridee Scott. "That's probably our strength," Hagemen said. "Our outside shooting is our strength and I think we're a very unselfish team so, we usually find open shots. We find the girl that is hitting [shots]. Hopefully, if that continues and we continue to play good defense, I think we'll be hard to beat." Scott led all scorers with 19 points, while senior Emily Kisker contributed 17 of her own points to the contest. LeBlond's leading scoring was Conner Hazelrigg with 16 points, but their top offensive threat, Jackie Ziesel, was harassed all night and limited to 13 points by junior Taylor Gadbois. "She's [Gadbois] has been playing defense like that all year," Hagemen said. "Almost 10 rebounds a game, you notice Taylor. You always notice Taylor when she's on the floor. She's always rebounding; even offensive rebounds. Defensively, you just notice her out there. There are so many lit-

tle things that don't show up defensively and offensively. I'm just glad she's playing well here lately. She's going to be a huge part of us getting back to the quarterfinal game, hopefully." With a District Title in hand, the 'Hounds turned their attention and full focus towards St. Pius X. "Pius is real scrappy," Hagemen said. "They play real fast. They are a little like us; they shoot a lot of shots from the perimeter and they will switch up their defenses. They want to try and get you on your heels. They cannot score for two or three minutes, and then hit three threes in the next two minutes. You are never too far ahead of this team." Results from the St. Pius X game were not available at press time.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Guys join in on fun, 2 district titles in Maryville

By Austin Wear
Missourian Reporter

It's safe to say the Spoofhound boys' basketball team had a good weekend. After defeating Plattsburg on Thursday and Cameron on Saturday, the Spoofhounds are District champs. Things did not look so good early on against Plattsburg. First quarter struggles led to the 'Hounds trailing early. Maryville recovered and took the lead that they held onto for good. The Spoofhounds came

out on top 73-33. Four players scored in double-digits, led by senior forward Keenan Joiner who had a game-high 16 points. Senior guard Josh Elliott followed closely with 15 points of his own. Head coach Mike Kuwitzky was pleased with the performance. "We had a little bit of a sluggish start," Kuwitzky said. "But, I thought we came around after that and played pretty well." Saturday's District Title game was a rematch from the 'Hounds' senior night

against the Cameron Dragons. The Spoofhounds fell that night 45-40. This game was different. After jumping out to a 19-13 lead at the end of the first quarter, Maryville fought to hold onto the lead. The third ended with the Spoofhounds on top by only one point. Maryville and Cameron battled throughout the fourth, but the 'Hounds pulled away for the hard-fought win. The Spoofhounds outscored the Dragons 14-8 in the final quarter to win 43-36.

Elliott led the Spoofhounds with 12 points. Joiner and fellow senior forward Adam Thomson chipped in 9 points. Kuwitzky thought very highly of his team's play. "We played excellent," Kuwitzky said. "It was one of our best games of the year." Maryville goes to the Sectional Championship against Lafayette County. The game was Wednesday at the Civic Arena in St. Joseph, Mo. Results were unavailable as of press time.



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SOPHOMORE GUARD TYLER Walter looks for an open lane to the basket in a game earlier this season against Rock Port. The Spoofhounds defeated Cameron on Saturday to claim the District Title.

NORTHWEST

ATHLETES
OF THE WEEK

LaRon
Council



Senior running back LaRon Council was one of six Bearcat seniors who showed off his skills for Kansas City Chiefs scouts at Northwest's pro day on Tuesday. Council's performance earned him an invite to Kansas City for an individual workout with the Chiefs.

Erin
Leslie



Senior second baseman Erin Leslie drove in nine runs at Missouri Southern's Zenner Memorial Classic Softball Tournament over the weekend. Leslie left the tournament with an eight game hitting-streak, and has hit safely in 16 of 17 games this season.

Keenan
Joiner



Senior forward Keenan Joiner scored a team-high 16 points in Maryville's 73-33 District semifinal win over Plattsburg. He then chipped in nine points in the Championship game against Cameron. The 43-36 victory cemented the Spoofhounds as District Champions.

Meridee
Scott



Senior point guard Meridee Scott scored a game-high 19 points in the Spoofhounds 68-52 District Championship game victory over LeBlond. Scott scored 14 points in a 65-43 victory over Lathrop. The 'Hounds move on to Sectionals for the second straight year.

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WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

JUNIOR GABBY CURTIS drives the ball to the hoop in Thursday’s upset of Pittsburg State. Curtis scored eight points in the win.

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‘Cats’ season ends to eventual MIAA Champs

By Brian Bosiljevac
Univ. Sports Editor

The women’s basketball season ended Saturday in Kansas City, Mo. The ‘Cats played their last game against the MIAA’s top squad.

Washburn is the No. 10 team in the country, and after beating Central Missouri on Sunday the Lady Blues became MIAA Champions.

Sophomore Abby Henry led the ‘Cats in the loss with 25 points.

After starting the game out 0-for-10 from the floor, Northwest had troubling sticking with the Lady Blues.

“All year long I said Emporia and Washburn were a bunch of bulldogs in this league, and the rest of us are trying to get a bigger bite,” head coach Gene Steinmeyer said.

Junior Gentry Dietz only played 22 minutes in the game due to foul trouble. Before Dietz fouled out of the game, she scored five points, gathered nine rebounds and blocked two shots. The two blocks gave Dietz the top spot in the Northwest record books for blocks in one season, with 57. That’s two better than the previous record held by Sarah Vollerston in 2004.

“A couple of weeks ago she sprained an arch and she just hasn’t been the same since,” Steinmeyer said. “And to her credit, she never asked for time off.”

The ‘Cats’ final game against Washburn was the third time the two teams met this season. Northwest dropped all three games by an average of just over 14 points.

The ‘Cats reached the semi-final game by upsetting a team

they had lost to twice during the regular season.

The ‘Cats’ opening game of the MIAA Tournament came down to the wire, but Pittsburg State couldn’t finish off the comeback.

Henry led the ‘Cats with another 25 point performance against the Gorillas.

Northwest jumped out to a commanding lead in the first half, heading into the locker room on top 40-33.

Due to second half foul trouble from Dietz and freshman Candace Boeh, the ‘Cats were left without a true post player.

“We’re up 10 with three-and-a-half to go and our first two post players on the bench in foul trouble and Tara Roach came in,” Steinmeyer said. “Tara Roach’s minutes weren’t very big, but what she did in those three-and-a-half minutes probably had as

much to do with winning the game as anything.”

Pittsburg State took advantage of the lack of size on the floor for the ‘Cats. The Gorillas even cut the lead to three with just under four minutes left to play, but Northwest never surrendered the lead.

Henry’s free throw with 1.8 seconds left in the game sealed the ‘Cats 75-71 victory.

Northwest will head into the off-season with the confidence of knowing all of their players will be back again next season. The ‘Cats roster featured no seniors this season. Dietz and Gabby Curtis are the only juniors on the young squad.

“We have all our kids back, and I’m not sure I’ve coached a better group of kids,” Steinmeyer said. “Just good kids, good students. So that really gives me a lot of hope for the future.”

BASEBALL

Head coach sees promise after rough start to season

By A.J. Martin
Missourian Reporter

The Northwest baseball team will be traveling to Fort Hays State (9-3) this weekend and will compete in two double headers on Saturday and Sunday.

It was supposed to be the ‘Cats’ home opener this weekend, but do to the inclement weather the games have been moved to Hays, Kan.

Northwest is eager to get back on the field after a rough outing against conference rival Central Missouri. The ‘Cats dropped all four games in the series, and were outscored 11-37 in the combined

contests.

In game four, they got off to a great start. The Bearcats were well within striking distance of Central Missouri for the first six innings, trailing 7-4 through the sixth.

Central Missouri then cashed in huge in the bottom of the seventh inning, scoring six runs, including five that came with two outs.

Outfielder Trevor Conner and first baseman Jon Henne Jr. each went 3 for 4, with Conner scoring one run and driving in another, and Henne Jr. scored two runs and collected two doubles.

Nick Pfeiffer went 2-of-5 with an RBI as well as a run scored.

Northwest collected a total of 12 hits in the game, which tied a season-high, and left nine men on base. Central Missouri had 15 hits, leaving seven stranded.

Although Northwest struggled, coach Darin Loe was still somewhat pleased by his team’s play.

“It is definitely hard this time of year when we are unable to get the practice time needed on the field due to the weather,” Loe said. “In the final game against Central we started hitting the ball a lot harder, and started placing the ball in the gaps, which is something we have not been able to do the past few games.”

Although the bats have started to warm up, the pitching for the ‘Cats is still struggling to find their rhythm. The pitching staff has a combined 9.75 ERA, while their opponents are hovering around 2.16.

“We may make some changes to the starting rotation just to get a better feel for some of the pitchers, for instance, we may be starting guys that may be more comfortable in the bullpen and vice versa,” Loe said. “It’s still very early but I feel like the pitching staff is going to start pitching well very soon.”

Northwest is struggling to find wins. During a drought

like this, it’s always important that upper classmen step up and provide much needed leadership, especially when you have young talent playing major roles.

“Senior leadership is always important, but especially when the team is full of young guys in important roles,” Pfeiffer said. “The young guys have been progressing, and they will continue to do so. The job of the older guys is to help the team, and the young guys in any way we can.”

Northwest will play two double headers on Saturday March, 13 and Sunday March, 14 at Fort Hays State with game times still to be announced as of press time.

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NW SOFTBALL

Bearcats
come alive
in Joplin
Tournament

By Jon Brown
Missourian Reporter

The ‘Cats traveled to Joplin, Mo., over the weekend, where they participated in Missouri Southern’s Zenner Memorial Classic Softball Tournament.

Three players come out of the tournament with active hit streaks of eight games or more.

Freshman shortstop Nicole Povero had ten hits over the weekend, and hit safely in all five games.

Povero’s hitting streak currently sits at nine games. She is batting .383 on the season.

Senior second baseman Erin Leslie drove in nine runs, hitting safely in all five games.

Leslie has hit safely in 16 of the 17 games this season, and is sporting a .424 average.

Freshman third baseman Hailee Hendricks finished the weekend going 8-for-18, advancing her hit streak to eight games.

“They are all pretty aggressive at the plate,” head coach Ryan Anderson said. “They keep swinging the bat, if it’s a strike they are going after it. They have hit the ball hard, and we needed it. We need the rest of the team to pick up some slack now. Those three have really kick started the offense.”

The ‘Cats finished the weekend winning two of their five games.

“We went down there expecting to do well because of the progression we have made the last two weekends,” Anderson said. “We gave the first game away. We gave up five unearned runs in the second inning and then tried to fight back, and just came up short. We shouldn’t have been in the second game but we battled back and lost 6-5. Then we ended the tournament with two good come-from-behind wins. After making a couple of mistakes, we hit the ball well and did some very good things.”

The ‘Cats travel to St. Joseph, Mo., this weekend for the Missouri Western Tournament.

The two day tournament will have the ‘Cats play at 2 p.m., Saturday against Central Missouri, and at 4 p.m., against Upper Iowa.

The ‘Cats play at noon, Sunday against Lewis, and at 2 p.m., against Washburn.

“It’s going to be a tough tournament,” Anderson said. “Lewis University is always a good team in their region. We play Washburn and Central, it doesn’t matter what time of the year we play them they are always tough. It’s a tough weekend for us again, we have to show up play offense, defense and the pitchers are going to have to throw well.”

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Football season is upon us once again here in Maryville. With the start of spring practice and Northwest’s Pro Day, football fever is here again.

The Kansas City Chiefs sent two scouts to Northwest to watch six Northwest seniors, and a few other players from MIAA schools, work out in hopes of finding a late round gem or undrafted free agent.

“First of all, it gives our seniors that have graduated an opportunity to showcase what they can do,” head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. “I think it’s nice that it’s here because they feel comfortable here. I think it’s good that our younger kids see that. Half of our team was down there watching them run 40s. It lights a little fire under them; maybe in a couple years I’ll have the opportunity. I think that’s where we’re at with our program right now.”

Seniors LaRon Council, Sean Paddock, Tyler Roach, Myles Burnside, Ike Urum-Eke and Nick Rhodes all worked out for the scouts on Tuesday.

Council, Paddock, Roach and Burnside made the cut after the 40-yard dash.

After the 40, the players ran the shuttle, the three-cone, did the broad jump, measured their vertical leaps and did the bench press to give the scouts an idea of what they had to offer.

Due to the rain, they had to do all of the drills in Bearcat Arena, instead of on Mel Tjeerdsma Field. It caused many of the athletes problems, but Roach said it actually helped him.

“The gym floor was probably my worst event,” Council said. “I think I did good once we got out on the field and did some drills, running around catching the ball. I’m just used to playing football out on the field, not in the gym.”

The players did get outside

for about 20 minutes to do a few position drills, but the rain limited what the scouts could do once they got out there.

“I think it was OK. I don’t think it was much of a difference,” Burnside said. “Finally the snow melted here in the last week, so me and LC (LaRon Council) got outside and did some drills, and we thought they went pretty good. Then we come here and it’s raining, so it’s kind of down, but it worked out OK.”

It was a day of both great successes and great disappointments.

Paddock stepped on a cone and fell while running the three-cone drill in Bearcat Arena, tweaking a hamstring in the process.

Paddock will have an opportunity to make up for the slip up next week when the University of Missouri hosts their Pro Day for athletes in Missouri outside of the University’s program.

“I’m not sure yet if I’ll be fully healthy for that one,” Paddock said. “I’ll be treating it and trying to get it as close to full strength as I can. As far as it hurting my chances, I mean I’m sure they would have loved to see me finish the drills, but they said they’d probably be out at MU next week. Assuming I can get healthy, I don’t think it will hurt my chances. I look at it as kind of a warm-up.”

Council is on the opposite end of the spectrum, having garnered an invite down to Kansas City in April to have an individual workout with the Chiefs before the draft.

“He told me I’d run a lot of the same drills, so I have about a month to work on those,” Council said. “I got a head start. It was a good start here. Now, I just have to go back to the drawing board and work a little bit more.”

All of the players agreed that it was a great experience they were glad to be a part of.

“It’s crazy. You never think a couple years ago that you’d ever be in this situation,” Burnside said. “Definitely with the Chiefs, being from Maryville, we’re big Chiefs fans. It’s just exciting that they came up and we had this opportunity.”

LaRon Council

